- 2. The RF probe of claim 1, wherein the conductive return is a ground return.
- 3. The RF probe of claim 1, wherein the termination is a resistor.

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(Amended) The RF probe of claim 3 wherein the probe conductor is formed within a coaxial conductor and the termination is approximately 50 ohms.

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- 5. The RF probe of claim 1, wherein the termination is a semiconductor device.
- 6. The RF probe of claim 5, wherein the termination is a diode.

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(Amended) An RF probe, comprising:

a conductive return;

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a probe conductor within an insulator, the insulator having a contact surface; and

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a termination electrically positioned between the conductive return and the probe conductor, wherein the probe conductor is equidistant with the insulator along the contact surface.

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8. The RF probe of claim 7, wherein the conductive return is a ground return. 9. The RF probe of claim 7, wherein the termination is a resistor. 5 (Amended) The RF probe of claim 9, wherein the probe conductor is formed within a coaxial conductor and the termination is approximately 50 ohms. 10 The RF probe of claim 7, wherein the termination is a semiconductor device. 11. The RF probe of claim 11, wherein the termination is a diode. 12. 15 13. The RF probe of claim 7, wherein the insulator has at least a partial cross section that is substantially circular in a plane substantially perpendicular to the probe conductor. 20 The RF probe of claim 13, wherein the conductive return is a ground return. 14.

The RF probe of claim 13, wherein the termination is a resistor.



- 16. (Amended) The RF probe of claim 15, wherein the termination is approximately 50 ohms.
- 17. The RF probe of claim 13, wherein the termination is a semiconductor device.

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- 18. The RF probe of claim 17, wherein the termination is a diode.
- 10 19. (Amended) An RF probe, comprising:

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a conductive return;

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a probe conductor positioned within an insulator having a contact surface, the probe conductor being curved and the insulator having at least a partial cross section that is substantially circular in a plane substantially perpendicular to the probe conductor; and

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a termination electrically positioned between the conductive return and the probe conductor, wherein the probe conductor is equidistant with the insulator along the contact surface.

## Please insert the following new claim:

25 20. (Inserted) The RF probe of Claim 19, wherein the probe conductor is equidistant with an RF source along the contact surface.